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SUBJECT: IAEA FEBRUARY BOARD MEETING, PROPOSAL TO EXPAND
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REF: IAEA VIENNA 536

1. FYI. DEPT SEES ALLIANCE OF DIVERSE MOTIVATIONS IN
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AFRICAN MEMBERSHIP OF BOARD. THIS, READ IN CONTEXT OF
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AN INITIATIVE TO AMEND THE STATUTE, AS PROPOSED, WOULD OPEN THE DOOR TO FURTHER EXPANSION AND DELETIONS FROM THE BOARD NOT ON THE BASIS OF TECHNICAL JUSTIFICATION BUT PRIMARILY FOR POLITICAL PURPOSES. WE BELIEVE SUCH A MOVE AT THIS TIME COULD SERIOUSLY UNDERMINE THE CONTINUED VIABILITY OF THIS HIGHLY IMPORTANT TECHNICALLY ORIENTED APOLITICAL BODY. END FYI.

2. DEPT SUGGESTS AMBASSADOR STONE MAKE FOLLOWING POINTS IN HIS FORTHCOMING SESSION WITH PAKISTANI AMBASSADOR:
(A) WE UNABLE REACT FULLY TO PROPOSAL IN ABSENCE OF DETAILS, WHICH WE ASSUME WILL BE FORTHCOMING IN EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM. IN MEANTIME, WE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN ANYTHING PAKISTANI AMBASSADOR WILLING TO GIVE US BY WAY OF BACKGROUND. (B) WE NOTE, HOWEVER, THAT STATUTORY AMENDMENT IS, AT BEST, A LABORIOUS AND OFTEN LENGTHY PROCEDURE WHICH WE, AND WE ASSUME OTHERS, ARE RELUCTANT TO ENTER INTO FREQUENTLY AND WITHOUT A STRONG DEMONSTRATION OF NECESSITY. (C) IN THIS CONNECTION, WE NOTE THAT STATUTE WAS LAST AMENDED, EFFECTIVE JUNE 1973, TO PROVIDE, INTER ALIA, FOR GREATER REPRESENTATION FOR THE AREA OF AFRICA. WE RECALL TOO THAT THE ORIGINAL ENLARGEMENT OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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